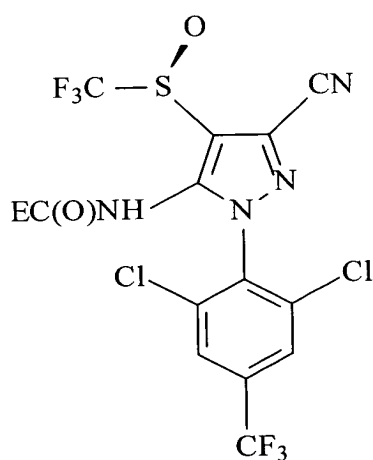


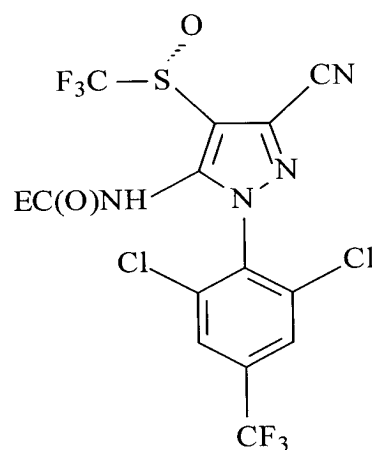
WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A compound having the formula:



(III-A)

or



(III-B)

- 5 wherein E is an organic radical which is enantiomerically enriched.

- 2 A compound according to Claim 1, wherein E is an organic radical which is substantially enantiomerically pure.

- 10 3. A compound according to Claim 1, wherein the organic radical E is derived from a compound EG wherein G is a group reactive with amino which is a

carboxylic acid, carboxylic acid anhydride, carboxylic acid halide or other carboxylic acid derivative.

5 4. A compound according to Claim 1, wherein the organic radical E comprises a primary amine, secondary amine or tertiary amine.

5. A compound according to Claim 1, wherein the radical E comprises a carboxylic acid or sulfonic acid.

10 6. A compound according to Claim 1, having formula (III-A).

7. A compound according to Claim 1, having formula (III-B).

15 8. A compound according to Claim 6, wherein E is an organic radical which is substantially enantiomerically pure.

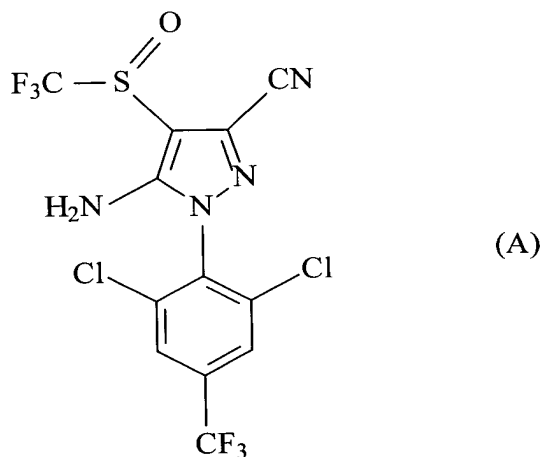
9. A compound according to Claim 7, wherein E is an organic radical which is substantially enantiomerically pure.

20 10. A process for the preparation of a composition comprising (S)-5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-

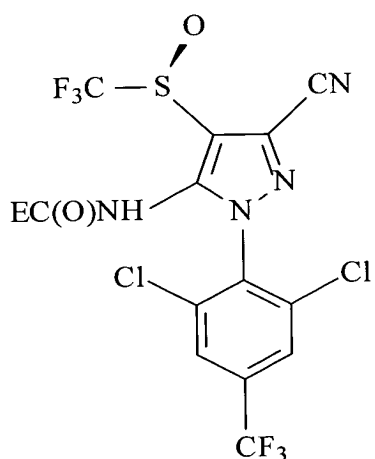
trifluoromethylsulfinylpyrazole and (R)-5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylsulfinylpyrazole, enriched in the (S) enantiomer, said process comprising:

(a) reacting a compound of the formula:

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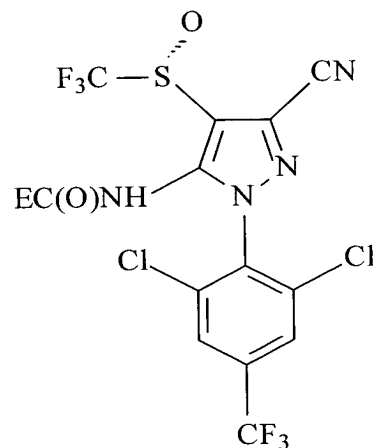


with a compound of the formula EG wherein E is an organic radical which is enantiomerically enriched and G is a group reactive with the amino which is a carboxylic acid, carboxylic acid anhydride, carboxylic acid halide or other carboxylic acid derivative to provide compounds of the formula



(III-A)

or



(III-B)

wherein E is defined as above;

(b) separating the compounds of formulas (III-A) and (III-B); and

(c) removing the groups EC(O) from the compounds of formulas (III-A)

and (III-B) by hydrolysis to afford the composition comprising (S)-5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylsulfinylpyrazole
 5 and (R)-5-amino-3-cyano-1-(2,6-dichloro-4-trifluoromethylphenyl)-4-trifluoromethylsulfinylpyrazole, enriched in the (S) enantiomer.

10 11. A process according to Claim 10, wherein E is an organic radical which is substantially enantiomerically pure.

12. A process according to Claim 10, wherein the organic radical E comprises a primary amine, secondary amine or tertiary amine.

5 13. A process according to Claim 10, wherein the organic radical E comprises a carboxylic acid or sulfonic acid.

10 14. A process according to Claim 10, wherein EG is a Moscher acid halide, an activated Evans chiral auxiliary, an activated sugar moiety or a protected and activated amino acid.

15 15. A process according to Claim 12, wherein the products of step (a) are two diastereomers which are converted to the corresponding acid addition salts and then separated.

16. A process according to Claim 15, wherein the salts are separated by fractional crystallization.

17. A process according to Claim 13, wherein the products of step (a) are two diastereomers which are converted to the corresponding salts and then separated.

18. A process according to Claim 17, wherein the salts are separated by fractional crystallization.